

GRGICH HILLS ESTATE

NAPA VALLEY

ESTATE GROWN | REGENERATIVE ORGANIC CERTIFIED

2019 ZINFANDEL, Napa Valley



WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Alcohol	14.7% by volume
Fermentation	indigenous yeast; pressed off the skins early to retain fruit character; stainless steel tanks
Harvest date	October 7-15, 2019
Sugar	24.5°Brix (average)
Bottling date	April 2021
Release date	Feb. 17, 2022 (375ml.)
Total acid	5.3 g/L
pH	3.97
Time in oak	18 months
Type of oak	neutral French oak
Production	6,737 cases (12 750 mL)
Blend	98% Zinfandel 2% Petite Sirah



the vintage

Napa Valley experienced an above-average rainfall in the early months of 2019 with over 50 inches of rain in Rutherford. The residual moisture and colder than average soils led to a delayed start in budbreak. Spring and summer enjoyed moderate temperatures with no significant heat spikes until August. The harvest began in early September and finished the first week of November.

the vineyard

Our 34-acre vineyard, which is located above Calistoga, is the warmest of our five vineyards and is the sole source of our Zinfandel. Its northeast exposure catches abundant morning sun but is shaded from the hot, late afternoon sun and combined with the vineyard's gravelly loam soil, creates the perfect spot to grow this varietal. All our vineyards are certified regenerative organic, ensuring that all of our grapes are of the highest quality, and that we are responsible stewards of our environment.

the wine

This elegant, fruity Zinfandel brims with inviting aromas of cherry, raspberry, and blackberry intermixed with hints of cranberry and blood orange. Graceful and soft on the front palate, the flavors of mixed red berries and the lively tannins add luscious texture throughout the mid-palate, balanced with perfectly integrated acidity. Its long finish reveals spicy undertones and a superb freshness that will allow it to age beautifully for many years.